

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**The Maryland Department of Natural Resources**  
**Fishing and Boating Services**  
***2020 Recreational Cobia Fishery — Effective 1/1/2020***

**WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES**

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces that the recreational cobia fishery is closed from 12:01 a.m. January 1, 2020 through 11:59 p.m. May 31, 2020.

**WHY THIS IS NECESSARY**

This action is necessary to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Cobia.

**WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS**

This applies to all individuals who catch cobia recreationally.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date is 12:01 a.m. January 1, 2020. In order to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Cobia, the Department will establish the season, catch limit, and minimum size for the recreational cobia fishery for the remainder of 2020 in a later notice.

**AUTHORITY**

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.05.17A and C.

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